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Federal Communications Commission  
Common Carrier Bureau  
Universal Service Support  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Study Area # 270429, Safety Net Additive Qualification

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is to notify you that East Ascension Telephone Company (Study Area #270429), has exceeded 14% annual growth in Telephone Plant in Service per loop between December 1, 2006 and December 31, 2006, and therefore meets the conditions of qualifying for Safety Net Additive Support under FCC 01-157 (C.C. Docket No. 96-45).

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please feel free to contact me at (225) 621-4280.

Sincerely,



Liz Cook  
Assistant Controller

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